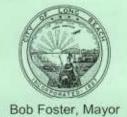
CITY OF LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

Vacant, 1st District Suja Lowenthal, 2nd District Gary DeLong, 3rd District Patrick O'Donnell, 4th District

Patrick H. West, City Manager Larry G. Herrera, City Clerk



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Gerrie Schipske, 5th District Dee Andrews, 6th District Tonia Reyes Uranga, 7th District Rae Gabelich, 8th District Val Lerch, Vice Mayor, 9th District

Robert E. Shannon, City Attorney

CITY COUNCIL SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2009

This Supplemental Agenda contains corrections and additions, which were posted more than 72 hours in advance of the above meeting date.

REQUEST:

The Mayor's office requests the addition of a Presentation as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF LONG BEACH PLAYHOUSE

REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS:

16. 09-0178

REQUEST:

Councilmember Suja Lowenthal, Second District, requests that additional attachment pertaining to Agenda Item No. 16 be distributed for the City Council meeting of February 17, 2009. Recommended action remains the same.

Recommendation to receive and file report on the actions taken at the Metropolitan Water District Board meetings held on January 13 and February 10, 2009.

Office or Department: COUNCILMEMBER SUJA LOWENTHAL, SECOND DISTRICT

Suggested Action: Approve recommendation.

ORDINANCE:

21.09-0130

REQUEST:

The City Clerk requests that Agenda Item No. 20 be removed from the City Council meeting of February 17, 2009, since it is part of Agenda Item No. 1 from the February 10, 2009 City Council agenda and was continued to February 17, 2009 as Continued Hearing Agenda Item No. 22.

Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code Chapter 2.63 relating to the Cultural Heritage Commission, read and adopted as read. (Citywide)

Office or Department: DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA (ADDITIONS)

22.09-0130

REQUEST:

The City Clerk requests that Agenda Item No. 1, laid over from the City Council meeting of February 10, 2009, be added as a Continued Hearing to the Agenda for the City Council meeting of February 17, 2009. Recommended action remains the same.

Recommendation to receive supporting documentation, conclude the public hearing, and declare ordinance amending Chapter 2.63 of the Long Beach Municipal Code as it relates to the Cultural Heritage Commission read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading; and

09-0131

Adopt resolution authorizing Director of Development Services to submit amendments to the Cultural Heritage Commission ordinance to the State Office of Historic Preservation for its review and approval as an implementing ordinance of the Certified Local Government (CLG) program. (Citywide)

Office or Department: DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Suggested Action: Approve recommendation.

23. 09-0187

Recommendation to direct City Manager to initiate action steps to address the continued flooding of the West Long Beach Arlington Avenue area neighborhood and to report back to City Council within 30 days.

Office or Department: COUNCILMEMBER TONIA REYES URANGA,

SEVENTH DISTRICT; COUNCILMEMBER

GARY DELONG, THIRD DISTRICT;

COUNCILWOMAN GERRIE SCHIPSKE, FIFTH

DISTRICT

Suggested Action:

Approve recommendation.

24. 09-0077

REQUEST:

The City Attorney requests that the revised ordinance be distributed for the City Council meeting of February 17, 2009. Recommended action remains the same.

Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by amending Subsection 8.68.020.R, Section 8.68.060, and Subsection 8.68.110.A; and by adding Subsection 8.68.020.S, and Section 8.68.210, all relating to smoking in public places, read and adopted as read. (Citywide)

Office or Department: CITY ATTORNEY

Suggested Action: Approve recommendation.

25. 09-0192

Recommendation to authorize City Manager to enter into an International Swap and Derivatives Association (ISDA) Master Agreement that provides natural gas price protection with terms that meet or exceed the following conditions: 1) a term of no more than three years; 2) pricing terms indexed at the Southern California border; and 3) a market price ceiling of not greater than \$10.50 per MMBtu and/or a fixed price of no greater than \$8.20 per MMBtu. (Citywide)

Office or Department: LONG BEACH GAS AND OIL

Suggested Action: Approve recommendation.

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City of Long Beach Memorandum Working Together to Serve

REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date:

February 13, 2009

To:

Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From:

Mayor Foster

Subject:

Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of February 17, '09

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

Certificate of Recognition for 80th Anniversary of the Long Beach Playhouse

Council	Authorizing	
District	Councilmember	Signed by
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CC: Office of the Mayor

Report for Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Meeting February 10, 2009

STATE WATER PROJECT

The board authorized payments up to \$561 million for calendar year 2009 charges from the State Water Project under terms of water supply contracts with the Department of Water Resources. This amount represents charges to be incurred for up to 1.1 million acre-feet of State Water Project deliveries. (Agenda Item 8-1)

DROUGHT WATER BANK

The board authorized an agreement with the California Department of Water Resources to pursue up to 300,000 acre-feet of Central Valley water transfer agreements under the Governor's 2009 Drought Water Bank, and payment of initial administrative fees and water purchase deposits. (Agenda Item 8-4)

CONSERVATION INCENTIVES

The board authorized a \$20 million increase to the Conservation Credits Program for fiscal year 2008/09 to address increased participation in several incentive funding programs including turf removal, residential rebates and public sector conservation. The board also voted to retain authority to make further changes, and to restore an extra incentive of \$50-per-unit for high-efficiency clothes washers if state grant funding for the program is restored. (Agenda Item 8-7)

FOUR NEW DIRECTORS

The board inducted four new directors into office: R. William "Bill" Robinson from the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (succeeding Anthony R. Fellow); Angel Santiago from the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (succeeding Gene Koopman); Keith Lewinger (succeeding Jim Bond) and Fern Steiner (succeeding Joseph Parker), both from the San Diego County Water Authority. (Agenda Items 5C, 5D and 5E)

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Chairman Brick made the following committee assignments which the board approved:

- Marcie L. Edwards, First Vice Chair (of the Board)
- John W. Murray, Jr., Vice Chair (of the Board)
- Business and Finance Committee Aaron Grunfeld (Chair), Keith Lewinger, Angel Santiago, Bill Robinson
- Legal and Human Resources Committee Fern Steiner, Bill Robinson
- Water Planning and Stewardship Committee Keith Lewinger

- Communications and Legislation Committee Fern Steiner, Angel Santiago
- Special Committee on Bay-Delta Fern Steiner
- Real Property and Asset Management Committee Aaron Grunfeld, Robert Wunderlich, Sylvia Ballin

ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE

Staff provided an update on Metropolitan's "shovel-ready" projects being submitted for possible inclusion in the federal economic stimulus package. The list includes \$3.6 billion of water-related projects that would generate an estimated annual yield of 800,000 acre-feet and create approximately 46,000 jobs. (Agenda Item 5I)

HAYFIELD PROJECT

The board authorized installation of a prototype well for hydrogeologic investigations of the Hayfield Groundwater Extraction Project, and amended an existing agreement with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants. (Agenda Item 8-2)

ORANGE COUNTY RELIABILITY PROJECTS

The board authorized approval of service connection and operating agreements with the Municipal Water District of Orange County to allow implementation of two Orange County reliability projects involving the Allen-McColloch Pipeline and the jointly-owned South County Pipeline. A third project involving the Baker Water Treatment Plant will be brought back to the board for future consideration. (Agenda Item 8-3)

SAN MANUEL SETTLEMENT

The board authorized entering into a settlement agreement with the San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians for reimbursement of costs incurred relating to the Arrowhead Tunnels in an amount not to exceed \$7 million. (Agenda Item 8-6)

OTHER ACTION:

In other action, the board:

- Heard a presentation from the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce as it honored Metropolitan Chief Administrative Officer Gilbert Ivey as the Chamber's 2008 Board Member of the Year (Agenda Item 4)
- Presented a 10-year service pin to Director Willard H. Murray, Jr. of Central Basin Municipal Water District (Agenda Item 5F)
- Authorized execution of the Fifth Amendment to the District-Edison Service and Interchange Agreement (Agenda Item 7-1)
- Received a report on the status of the board-adopted Water Supply Allocation Plan (Agenda Item 9-2)





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February 10, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the supporting documentation, conclude the public hearing, and declare the ordinance amending Chapter 2.63 of the Municipal Code as it relates to the Cultural Heritage Commission read for the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the Council for final reading; and

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Director of Development Services to submit amendments to the Cultural Heritage Commission Ordinance to the State Office of Historic Preservation for its review and approval as an implementing ordinance of the Certified Local Government (CLG) program. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In February of 2006, the City Council was presented information regarding program issues, improvements, and revisions related to the City's Historic Preservation program. The City Council received the report and provided positive comments on the proposed work program. Many of the suggestions, including the preparation of a Historic Preservation Element of the General Plan, initiation of the first phase of the citywide historic resources survey, and the integration of historic, planning and redevelopment efforts have been made or are underway. A key item of the Historic Preservation Program is the revision of the Cultural Heritage Commission ordinance, Chapter 2.63 of the Municipal Code, in order to provide a more effective decision-making process. The recommended amendments to the Municipal Code include the following:

- Reduce the number of Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) members from 1. fifteen to seven. The large commission was established prior to the appointment of a historic preservation officer. Currently, the large membership results in a longer, less effective decision-making process and inconsistent approvals of work scopes. Reducing the number of commissioners would allow for a more efficient and effective process, while still allowing Long Beach to meet the national requirement to be a Certified Local Government for review of historic resources.
- 2. Amend the procedures for administering certificates of appropriateness for alterations to landmark buildings or structures located within historic districts. The current procedures require that such changes be reviewed and approved by the Cultural Heritage Commission or, in some instances, the department director. This has substantially hindered the permitting process and, at times, has caused the Commission to focus on non-preservation matters rather than on larger policy issues affecting historic resources and the preservation program overall. Therefore, staff

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proposes to shift the review of Certificates of Appropriateness for structures in historic districts from the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) to staff, with the CHC acting as an appeal body for staff determinations, the approval body for all alterations to historic landmarks, and on preservation policy issues.

3. Replace references in Chapter 2.63 to "Planning and Building" with "Development Services" to reflect the new department name. In December 2007, the Development Services Department was formed from the Department of Planning and Building and the Redevelopment Bureau. These changes will update the code to reflect the new department name.

In developing these recommended changes to the Cultural Heritage Commission ordinance, staff has conducted considerable research on other cities' ordinances and has utilized guidance publications from the State Office of Historic Preservation to propose ordinance appropriate language that reflects "best practices" nationally. Staff reviewed the proposed changes with representatives of Long Beach Heritage. Recommendations were discussed with the Cultural Heritage Commission on June 18, 2008. On October 2, 2008, the Planning Commission considered this matter and recommended that the City Council amend the Cultural Heritage Commission ordinance.

This letter was reviewed by Assistant City Attorney Michael J. Mais on January 27, 2009 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on January 23, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Council action is requested on February 10, 2009 to allow for the immediate appointment of Cultural Heritage Commission members and transition of Certificate of Appropriateness review to staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the suggested action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submittet,

CRAIG BECK

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

APPROVED:

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Attachment:

City Council Ordinance City Council Resolution

Chapter 2.63 CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSIONCULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION[12]

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2.63.010 Purpose.

It is declared that the recognition, preservation, protection and use of cultural resources are necessary to the health, property, social and cultural enrichment and general welfare of the people. The purpose of this chapter Chapter is:

- A. To protect, enhance and perpetuate areas, districts, streets, places, buildings, structures, works of art, natural features and other similar objects which are reminders of past eras, events, and persons important in local, state or national history, or which provide significant examples of architectural styles of the past or are landmarks in the history of architecture, or which are unique and irreplaceable assets to the cityCity and its neighborhoods, or which provide for this and future generations significant examples of the physical surroundings in which past generations lived;
- B. To develop and maintain appropriate settings and environments for these cultural resources;
- C. To enhance the economic and financial benefits to the <u>cityCity</u> and its inhabitants by promoting the <u>cityCity</u>'s tourist trade and interest and thereby stimulating community business and industry;
- D. To intensify the visual and aesthetic character and diversity of the eityCity and thus enhance its identity through the preservation of varied architectural styles which reflect the eityCity's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history;

- E. To encourage public understanding and appreciation of the unique architectural and environmental heritage of the eityCity through education programs; and
- F. To strengthen civic pride in the beauty and notable accomplishments of the <u>cityCity</u>'s past, and thereby to encourage community involvement in the <u>cityCity</u>'s future. (Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.020 Definitions.

- A. "Alteration" means physical change to a place, building, structure, work of art or similar item subject to the provisions of this chapter.
- B. "Applicant" means a person, persons, association, partnership, corporation, or other business entity who applies for a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness in order to undertake any environmental change on property subject to this chapterChapter.
- C. "Archaeology" or "archeology" means the scientific study of the remains of past people and cultures as may be evidenced by artifacts, sites, implements, inscriptions, relics, etc.
- D. "Certificate of appropriatenessCertificate of Appropriateness" means a written authorization issued pursuant to this chapterChapter to accomplish any environmental change to a landmark or affected structure within a landmark district.
- E. "City" means the cityCity of Long Beach.
 - F. "Cultural resources" means areas, districts, streets, places, buildings, structures, permanent works of art, natural features and other objects having a special historical, cultural, archeological, architectural, community or aesthetic value.
 - F. "Director" shall mean the Director of Development Services or designee.
 - <u>GG</u>. "Environmental change" means any alteration, demolition, removal, or construction of any improvement or natural feature subject to the provisions of this <u>chapterChapter</u>.
- HH. "Improvement" means any place, building, structure, work of art or similar object constituting a physical addition to real property or any part of such addition.
- I. "Landmark" means any <u>building</u>, <u>structure</u>, <u>permanent work of art</u>, <u>object</u>, <u>site or improvement</u>, <u>manmade or natural</u>, <u>which has special character or special historical</u>, cultural, architectural, community or aesthetic value as part of the heritage of the <u>eityCity</u>, state, or the United States and which has been designated as a landmark pursuant to the provisions of this <u>chapterChapter</u>.
- "Landmark dDistrict" means any designated area which contains a number of structures or natural features having a special character or special historical, cultural, architectural, community or aesthetic value.
 - K.K. "Member" means any member of the cultural heritage commission.
 - <u>L.L.</u> "Natural <u>fF</u>eature" means any tree, plant life or geological element subject to provisions of this <u>chapterChapter</u>.

- M.M. "Ordinary <u>FR</u>epairs and <u>mM</u>aintenance" means any work done on any improvements or replacement of any part of an improvement for which a building permit is not required by law and where the purpose and effect of such work or replacement is to correct any deterioration, decay, or damage to such improvement in order to restore it to original condition prior to the occurrence of such deterioration, decay or damage.
- N. "Owner" means the person, persons, association, partnership, corporation or other business entity appearing as the owner of such improvement, natural feature, or site on the last equalized assessment roll of the county.
- O. "Person" means any individual, association, partnership, firm, corporation, public agency or political division. (Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.030 Created--Members.

- A. A cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission is created by this cChapter whose purpose shall be to recognize, protect and promote the retention, maintenance and use of landmarks and landmark districts in the cCity in accordance with this cChapter. Said cCommission shall consist of fifteen seven (457) members who shall serve without compensation and who are residents of the cCity who have manifested a knowledge and interest in the cCity's heritage and landmark preservation.
 - B. Commission members shall be appointed from among professionals in the disciplines of architecture, history, <u>architectural history</u>, <u>architectural history</u>, <u>architectural history</u>, <u>architectural history</u>, <u>architectural history</u>, <u>architectural history</u>, archeology, or other historic preservation related disciplines, such as urban planning, American studies, American civilization, cultural geography, or cultural anthropology, to the extent that such professionals are available in the community. Commission membership <u>mayshall</u> also include lay members who have special interest <u>inor concern in</u>, or who have demonstrated competence, experience, or knowledge in, historic preservation or other historic preservation related disciplines.
 - C. The term of office and the number of terms of office of the members of the eCommission shall be in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of chapterChapter 2.18, as the provisions of chapterChapter 2.18 are presently worded or hereafter amended. (Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.040 Duties.

The cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To recommend to the e<u>C</u>ity planning commission Planning Commission that specific areas, places, buildings, structures, natural features, works of art or similar objects having a significant historical, cultural, architectural, archaeological, community or aesthetic value as part of the heritage of the e<u>C</u>ity, be designated as a landmark, or landmark district; or
 - B. To review any proposed <u>substantial alterations modifications</u> to a designated landmark <u>or</u> to a contributing building or structure within a designating historic district, or any improvement within a designated landmark district and to issue or deny a certificate of appropriatenessCertificate of Appropriateness thereon;
- C. To encourage public interest in cultural preservation in the eCity;

- D. To compile, maintain and update an informational local register of landmarks and historic districts and to publicize and periodically update the eCity's cultural resource survey;
- E. To advise and assist owners or prospective owners of designated or potential landmarks or structures in landmark districts on technical and financial aspects of preservation, renovation, rehabilitation, and reuse, and to establish standards and guidelines therefor,
- E. To review and comment for advisory purposes only upon the conduct of land use, housing, redevelopment, public works and other types of planning and programs undertaken by any agency of the city, county, state or nation, within the eCity of Long Beach, as they relate to the cultural heritage of the eCity;
- F. Upon authorization of the <u>cCity</u> <u>cCouncil</u>, coordinate and cooperate with local, county, state and federal governments in pursuit of the <u>commissionCommission</u>'s purposes;
- G. Subject to the consent of eCity eCouncil, recommend acceptance of by the eCity of gifts, grants and conservation easement donations consistent with the purposes for which the eCommission was established;
- H. To make and adopt, and from time to time periodically amend, rules and procedures governing the conduct of its business and provide for the administration of this chapter Chapter consistent with chapter Chapter 2.18 of this code;
 - I. To assume whatever responsibility and duties may be assigned to it by the state under certified local government provisions of the <u>nNational hHistoric pPreservation aAct of 1966</u>, as amended; and
- J. To perform any other functions consistent with the purposes herein that may be directed by the eCity eCouncil. (Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.050 Criteria for designation of landmarks and landmark districts.

A cultural resource may be recommended for designation as a landmark or landmark district if it manifests one or more of the following criteria:

- A. It possesses a significant character, interest or value attributable to the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the ecity, the southern California region, the state or the nation; or
- B. It is the site of a historic event with a significant place in history; or
- C. It is associated with the life of a person or persons significant to the community, e<u>C</u>ity, region or nation; or
- D. It portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style; or
- E. It embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or engineering specimen; or
- F. It is the work of a person or persons whose work has significantly influenced the development of the e<u>C</u>ity or the southern California region; or

- G. It contains elements of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship which represent a significant innovation; or
- H. It is a part of or related to a distinctive area and should be developed or preserved according to a specific historical, cultural or architectural motif; or
- It represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood or community due to its unique location or specific distinguishing characteristic; or
- J. It is, or has been, a valuable information source important to the prehistory or history of the eCity, the southern California region or the state; or
- K. It is one of the few remaining examples in the eCity, region, state or nation possessing distinguishing characteristics of an architectural or historical type; or
 - L. In the case of the designation of a tree(s) based on historic significance, that the tree(s) is (are) associated with individuals, places and/or events that are deemed significant based on their importance to national, state and community history; or
 - M. In the case of the designation of a tree(s) based on cultural contribution, that the tree(s) is (are) associated with a particular event or adds (add) significant aesthetic or cultural contribution to the community. (Ord. ORD-05-0026 § 1, 2005; Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.060 Procedures for designation of landmark or landmark district.

The cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission may recommend the designation of a landmark or landmark district either upon its own nomination or upon nomination by any interested group or individual including the owner or occupant of property proposed for such designation. Any nomination which includes a public building shall be submitted to the ccity mManager for his review. Comments and recommendations resulting from that review may be submitted to the cultural heritage commission. The ccommission shall take no further action on the nomination until receipt of the ccity mManager's comments and recommendations; provided that, if a written report by the ccity mManager is not received within thirty twenty (3029) days of submittal to him, the cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission may proceed with its review of the nomination and the formulation of a recommendation relating to the designation of a landmark or landmark district pursuant to the following procedures:

- A. The <u>cultural heritage commission</u> <u>Cultural Heritage Commission</u> shall, as a part of its review process:
 - 1. Endeavor to cConsult with affected property owners;
 - 2. Prepare a preliminary report on the nomination which shall include, among other things:
 - a. Notification of affected <u>eCity</u> <u>dDepartments</u> including, when public buildings are a part of the nomination, the <u>eCity</u> <u>mManager</u>,
 - b. Confirmation and verification that the nomination conforms to the requirements of section 2.63.050 of this eChapter,
 - c. Preliminary research into the character and history of the structure or area proposed for designation, and
 - d. —A recommendation for final action by the <u>commissionCommission</u>. If the <u>cCommission</u> approves the nominated designation, then upon direction of the <u>cCommission</u>, preliminary research, appropriate inventory forms and other supporting data as directed shall be completed as necessary to prepare the matter for final determination by the <u>cCommission</u>. Final action recommending

approval or disapproval of the nominated landmark or landmark district shall be by a majority vote of the eCommission.

- If the cultural heritage commission <u>Cultural Heritage Commission</u> recommends approval, B. the eCommission shall advise the director of planning and building Development Services in writing of the proposed designation of a landmark or landmark district and secure from the director Director of planning and building Development Services recommendations concerning the relationship of the proposed landmark or landmark district to the gGeneral pPlan of the eCity, its effect on the surrounding neighborhood and any other planning considerations which may be relevant to the proposed designation. If a written report by the director Director of planning and building Development Services is not received within thirty twenty (3020) days of receipt of notice of a proposed designation, the Ceultural hHeritage eCommission may conclude that the director Director of planning and building Development Services has no objections to the designation and proceed with its The Ceultural Hheritage eCommission shall acknowledge the consideration. recommendations, and incorporate them into their report to be submitted to the eCity planning commissionPlanning Commission. Included in the Cultural Heritage's Ceommission's report to the eCity planning commission Planning Commission shall be the eCommission's recommended guidelines and standards to be applied to the subject property.
- C. The eCity planning commissionPlanning Commission shall schedule a public hearing on the proposed designation of a landmark or landmark district as soon as practicable after receiving the proposal from the cultural heritage commissionCultural Heritage Commission. Written notice shall be placed in the mail to all owners of record of real property within the boundaries of the area proposed for designation and located within the distance specified in Section 21.21.302.B.4 of this Code or any successor section thereto three hundred feet (300') of such boundaries. In those instances where the owners petition the eityCity for such designation, it shall be the petitioners' obligation to furnish a current list of names and legal mailing addresses to the eCity planning and building Development Services dDepartment of all real property owners to be notified and pay such fee as shall be established by separate resolution. When the proposed designation is by eityCity initiative, the eity planning and buildingDevelopment Services dDepartment shall be responsible for preparing the notification list. The public hearing shall be set for not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days subsequent to the date of written notice.
- D. Within thirty (30) days after the close of the public hearing, the eCity planning commission shall make its recommendation on the proposed landmark or landmark district designation. These recommendations, together with the specific findings of fact constituting the basis for the commission Commission's decision shall be transmitted-tto-the-cCity-cCouncil
- E. The eCity eCouncil shall consider the matter as soon as practicable after receiving the eCity planning commissionPlanning Commission's recommendation. If the eCity eCouncil approves the landmark or landmark district designation, such approval shall be evidenced by ordinance.
 - The eCity eClerk shall then notify the <u>directorDirector</u> of <u>planning and buildingDevelopment</u> <u>Services</u> of its action in order to ensure compliance with this eChapter.
- F. The ordinance designating a landmark or landmark district shall include a description of the particular characteristics which justify the designation and which should therefore be preserved; shall set forth stipulate—the reasons relative to section 2.63.050 for the designation; shall develop a set of general guidelines to establish standards for future

proposed changes, and shall delineate the location and boundaries of the landmark site or landmark district. A certified copy of such ordinance shall be recorded in the office of the e \underline{C} ounty \underline{F} Recorder of the e \underline{C} ounty of Los Angeles by the e \underline{C} lerk immediately following its effective date.

- G. The property included in the designation ordinance shall upon designation be subject to the controls and standards set forth in this e<u>C</u>hapter.
- H. The record owner of real property designated as a landmark or the record owner of a historically significant contributing cultural propertyresource within a landmark district, or the city, on its own initiative, may petition to withdraw from designated status provided the same procedure described above to cause such designation is followed. Any owner of designated property that petitions for withdrawal from designated status shall furnish the materials required in sSubsection C of this section and shall pay such fee as established by the City Council by separate-resolution; provided, that in no case may real property be withdrawn from designated status unless it has lost those contributing qualities that led to its initial designation and the city council, upon recommendation of the cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission and the planning commission Planning Commission, by resolution so finds.
- I. Once the cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission has approved a nomination for designation proceedings, no permits for the alteration, remodel, enlarging, demolition or removal of a structure or improvement nominated for landmark status as provided in this section shall be issued during the pendency of a review related thereto; provided, that the prohibition shall terminate on the one hundred eighty first day following approval of the nomination for designation proceedings, and provided that, notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection I, requests for building permits which the <u>Director of Development Services neighborhood and historic preservation officer determines will have no adverse effect on the architectural character of the nominated property, and which meets the guidelines for approval of ecertificates of a provided that in section 2.63.070, may be approved during the pendency of review for nomination.</u>
 - J. If the <u>cultural heritage commissionCultural Heritage Commission</u> fails to transmit a recommendation for landmark designation of any kind to the <u>planning commissionPlanning Commission</u> within sixty (60) days of its action to recommend such designation, any aggrieved or interested party may petition the <u>cultural heritage commissionCultural Heritage Commission</u> to do so <u>within twenty (20) days of the expiration of said sixty (60) day period forthwith.</u> If the recommendation is not transmitted within <u>thirty (30) five (5) days after such petition</u>, the nomination for designation shall be deemed null and void and of no further force and effect.
 - K. Recordation of landmarks and historic districts. All buildings or structures or areas designated as landmarks or landmark districts by the eCity eCouncil pursuant to this eChapter shall be so recorded by the eCity in the office of the Los Angeles County rRecorder. The document to be recorded shall contain a legal description of the property or properties, the date and substance of the designation, a statement explaining that the demolition, alteration, or relocation of the structure is restricted, and a reference to this section authorizing the recordation. (Ord. C-7760 § 1, 2001; Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.070 Procedures for administering the certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness.

- A. No person owning, renting or occupying a property, or building/structure which has been designated a landmark or which is situated in a designated \(\frac{1}{2}\) andmark \(\frac{0}{2}\) istrict, shall make any environmental change to such property unless a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued authorizing such environmental change. Except as otherwise set forth in this Chapter, Aall environmental changes made to designated landmarks, or historically significant or historically contributing properties within landmark districts within the city, require a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness whether or not the alteration, demolition, removal or construction of such property requires a cCity permit.
- B. The Cultural Heritage Commission shall be responsible for considering and issuing Certificates of Appropriateness for those sites or improvements which have been designated as landmarks pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter; and also for substantial alterations made to contributing structures/buildings or sites within a designated Historic District. For the purpose of this Section, the term "substantial alteration" shall mean an alteration which jeopardizes a structure's individual eligibility as a contributing structure in the National Register of Historic Places, or its status as a contributing structure within a designated Historic District or in the California Register of Historical Resources, such as, but not limited to:
 - 1. The addition, removal, alteration or substitution of defining architectural features, such that the building/structure is incapable of yielding important historical information about its period, including changes to the following: exterior siding (unless siding is replaced with siding of similar size and appearance), roof pitch, fenestration, and the compatibility of additions in terms of general scale, massing and materials;
 - 2. Isolation of a property or alteration of its setting such that the historic character and integrity are no longer reflected in the site. Examples may include the following: introduction of parking lots, removal of subsidiary buildings or relocation of a structure from its original site:
 - 3. Use of surface cleaning or maintenance methods which endanger the building/structure, or object's historic building materials, such as sandblasting and improper masonry repointing.
 - The Director of Development Services shall be responsible for considering and issuing Certificates of Appropriateness for buildings/structures within designated Landmark Districts in all other instances, including, but not limited to: replacement of windows and doors (including screen doors) with like materials (e.g., wood window changed with wood or wood clad window of similar aesthetics); replacement/repair of siding with siding similar in size and appearance, replacement/repair of a porch or primary entry to the building/structure; replacement/repair of garage doors that are visible from the public right of way; or installation/repair of rain gutters. While the primary authority and responsibility for consideration of applications for certificates of appropriateness for historic landmarks resides with the Cultural Heritage Commission, the authority and responsibility for all other requests for certificates of appropriateness rests with the Director of Development Services or designee...
- CB. An applicant for a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness shall file an application with the cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission or Director of Development Services, as appropriate, on forms provided by the office of neighborhood and historic preservation. The application shall contain all facts and information necessary to properly consider the matter. The applicant shall also pay provide such fee as is established by separate resolution of the City Council. Upon determination by the neighborhood and historic preservation officer that the application is complete, it will be forwarded to the cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission.

- CD. The cultural heritage commission Cultural Heritage Commission or, as appropriate, the director Director of planning and building Development Services or designee shall only issue a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness if it is determined that the proposed environmental change:
 - Will not adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural or aesthetic feature of the concerned property or of the landmark district in which it is located and that issuance of the Certificate, is consistent with the spirit and intent of this eChapter; or
 - 2. Will remedy any condition determined to be imminently dangerous or unsafe by the f<u>F</u>ire d<u>Department</u> or the planning and building<u>Development Services</u> d<u>D</u>epartment;
 - The proposed change is consistent with or not incompatible with the architectural period of the building;
 - The proposed change is compatible in architectural style with existing adjacent contributing structures in a historic landmark district;
 - The scale, massing, proportions, materials, colors, textures, fenestration, decorative features and details proposed are consistent with the period and/or compatible with adjacent structures;
 - 6. The proposed change is consistent with the <u>sSecretary</u> of the <u>iInterior</u>'s <u>sStandards</u> for <u>rRehabilitation</u> and <u>gGuidelines</u> for <u>rRehabilitating</u> <u>hHistoric</u> <u>bBuildings</u> of the U.S. <u>dDepartment</u> of the <u>iInterior</u>.
- ED. If the eCommission, or if authorized, the neighborhood and historic preservation officer Director of Development Services, or designee, determines that the proposed environmental change will adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural or aesthetic feature of the concerned property or of the landmark district in which it is located, the certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness shall be denied. If the cCommission or the Director of Development Services neighborhood and historic preservation officer finds that the adverse effects can be overcome by minor modifications to of the application, a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness with conditions may be issued.
- FE. Once a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness is is issued, finally approved, the applicant may proceed with the proposed environmental change provided all other requirements of the cCity are met.
- F. In the instance of denial of a certificate of appropriateness for demolition of a designated historic landmark, or for demolition of any contributing building or structure in a designated historic district, or for demolition of any other designated historic resource, the applicant shall not proceed with the proposed demolition to the landmark, or historic resource within a designated landmark district, for six (6) months from the date of such denial, and no city permits therefor shall be issued within the six (6) month period. If, prior to the expiration of the six (6) month period, the cultural heritage commission determines that the preservation of the historic resource requires an additional six (6) months, it may so advise the city planning commission which may extend the period of time not to exceed an additional six (6) month period. The city planning commission shall give written notice of the extension of time to the original applicant and to the director of planning and building. During the prescribed period of time and any extension thereof, the cultural heritage commission shall investigate the feasibility of all available means of preserving the designated landmark or contributing structure in a designated landmark district. At the expiration of the prescribed

waiting period or extensions thereof, provided all appropriate environmental review has been completed, and provided further that all other city regulations are met, the applicant may proceed with the proposed demolition.

- GF. While the primary authority and responsibility for consideration of applications for certificates of appropriateness resides in the cultural heritage commission, the commission may delegate its authority and responsibility to the director of planning and building in the case of minor environmental changes which have no adverse affect on the character defining features of a designated landmark of the following kind:
- 1. Minor changes to landscaping;
- 2. Repairs, replacements or construction of new fences of materials other than chainlink or untreated concrete block;
- 3. Reroofing with no change in material;
- 4. Resurfacing of exterior with no change in material;
- 5. Interior remodeling to residential properties;
- 6. Construction of accessory buildings not visible from the public right-of-way;
- 7. Addition of mechanical equipment;
- 8. Minor environmental changes of a nature similar to those set forth in subsections 2.63.070.G.1 through 2.63.070.G.7 of this section.
- GH. The <u>California sState hHistorical bBuilding eCode</u> provides alternative building regulations for the rehabilitation, preservation, restoration or relocation of qualified historic buildings or structures. This shall include structures on national, state or local historical registers or official inventories, such as the National Register of Historic Places, state historical landmarks, state points of historical interest, and city or county registers or inventories of historical or architecturally significant sites, places, historic districts, or landmarks. The <u>California State hHistorical bBuilding eCode</u>, pPart 8 of the uUniform bBuilding eCode, shall be used for any designated eCity landmark or contributing historic structure in a designated historic district through the eCity's building permit procedure.
- H. The provisions of this sSection shall not be construed so as to prevent the ordinary maintenance and repair of any exterior feature of a landmark, or building structure of historic or contributing historical significance cultural resource within a landmark district; or to prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration or demolition of any feature which is necessary to remedy an immediately unsafe or dangerous condition as determined by the Fire Department and/or Development Services Department, excluding orders issued pursuant to Chapter 18.68 of this Code. In such cases, the work must be approved by the Director of Development Services, or designee, and no Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required. Examples of this work shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (a)1. Construction, demolition or alteration of side and rear yard fences that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure.
 - (b)2. Construction, demolition or alteration of front yard fences that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure., if no change in appearance occurs.
 - (c)3. Repairing or repaving of flat concrete work in the side and rear yards that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure..
 - (d)4. Repaving of existing front yard paving, concrete work, and walkways that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure, if no change in appearance occurs.
 - (e)5. Roofing work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure. If no change in appearance occurs.
 - (f)6. Foundation work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure. if no change in appearance occurs.
 - (g)7. Chimney work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure. if no change in appearance occurs.
 - (h)8. Landscaping that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure, unless the Landmark Designation specifically identifies the landscape

- layout, features, or elements as having particular historical, architectural, or cultural merit.
- (ii)9. Installation of water heaters, electrical box, air conditioning units, or other utility items provided they are not visible from the public right-of-way.
- (i)10. Repainting, unless the repainting would alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure.
- The Director orf Development Services shall determine whether or not the proposed work, alteration, construction or improvement constitutes ordinary maintenance and repair and is therefore exempt from the Certificate of Appropriateness requirement established by this Chapter.
- that does not involve a change in design, material, color or exterior appearance. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration or demolition of any such feature which is necessary to remedy an immediately unsafe or dangerous condition as determined by the fire department and/or planning and building department, excluding orders issued pursuant to chapter 18.68 by this code.
- JI. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this eChapter, a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness shall become void unless construction relating to the environmental change is commenced within twelve (12) months of the date of issuance. Certificates of aAppropriateness may be renewed for a twelve (12) month period by applying to the eCommission staff or to the Director of Development Services. If the environmental change is not completed within twelve (12) months after the expiration of the last building permit, a new certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required. (Ord. C-7836 § 1, 2002; Ord. C-6971 § 1, 1992; Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.075 Hearings and Determinations.

All hearings conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission and determinations by the Director of Development Services shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and in the following manner:

- A. For hearings to be conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission notice shall be given not less than fourteen (14) days nor more than forty-five days prior to the hearing. Notice of hearing shall be mailed or personally delivered to the applicant and to the owner(s) of the subject property or their authorized agent. Notice shall also be mailed or delivered to all owners of real property as shown on the latest equalized assessment roll located within the distance specified in Section 21.21.302.B.4 of this Code or any successor section thereto. Notice of hearing shall also be posted at the landmark site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing in a form and manner deemed appropriate by the Director of Development Services.
- B. The Director of Development Services shall consider all applications for Certificates of Appropriateness within his/her jurisdiction as set forth in Section 2.63.070. Determinations shall be made within forty five (45) days after the applicant has submitted an application and the Director determines it to be complete. The Director has authority to approve, conditionally approve or deny an application. Determinations made pursuant to this subsection shall not require a formal hearing or notice. In making his/her determination the Director shall make written findings in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 2.63.070.D and E. Rather than act on an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness within his/her jurisdiction, the Director of Development Services may, in his/her sole discretion, refer the application to the Cultural Heritage Commission for its determination. In such case the procedures set forth in Section 2.63.075.A shall apply.

- C. Hearings conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission need not be conducted according to the technical rules of evidence. Any relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is the sort of evidence on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or statutory rule which might make improper the admission of such evidence over objection in civil actions.
- D. After considering all of the testimony and evidence submitted, the Cultural Heritage Commission shall render its decision within fifteen (15) calendar days of the hearing. The decision shall be in writing and shall include findings of fact, a summary of the relevant evidence, a statement of issues and a decision. A copy of the decision shall be provided to the applicant and to any other person who has requested it. All hearings shall be conducted and decisions rendered no later than ninety (90) days from the date that an application has been deemed complete by the Director of Development Services.

2.63.080 Appeals.

Any person aggrieved by the denial or approval of a certificate of appropriateness Certificate of Appropriateness may appeal such denial or approval in the following manner:

- A. ——The appellant may file a notice of appeal, an appeal, in writing, with the dDepartment of planning and building Development Services within ten (10) calendar days after issuance of the written decision to deny denial or approve al of the application for a certificate of appropriatenessCertificate of Appropriateness. The appeal shall be accompanied by a list of all property owners of record within three hundred feet (300') of the boundaries of the subject property and such fee as shall be established by separate resolution. The appeal shall, in the case of a decision of the cultural heritage commissionCultural Heritage Commission, be heard by the city planning commission Planning Commission, or in the case of a determination decision-by the director Director of planning and building Development Services, or designee shall be heard by the cultural heritage commission. The appeal hearing shall be conducted no later than in public hearing within forty five (45) days after the notice of appeal has been filed and deemed complete of receipt of a complete appeal by the dDepartment of planning and building Development Services. Written n Notice of the appeal hearing shall be provided to the appellant, the applicant, and to any person who has requested in writing that such notice be provided such hearing shall be sent by the dDepartment of planning and buildingDevelopment Services in accordance with the noticing provisions in Section 21.21 of the Municipal Code, to all property owners of record within three hundred feet (300') of the boundaries of the subject property not less than ten (10) days prior to that hearing. Notice of the appeal hearing shall also be posted at the subject site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing in a form and manner deemed appropriate by the Director of Development Services. Only one appeal shall be allowed on any application, and the decision on appeal shall be deemed final.
- B. ____The appeal body may affirm, reverse or modify the action of the cultural heritage commission or the director <u>Director</u> of planning and <u>buildingDevelopment Services</u> and may affix whatever conditions of approval as it deems reasonably necessary. (Ord. C-7521 § 1, 1998: Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).
- C. The decision of the Cultural Heritage Commission or the Planning Commission on appeal shall be final. Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6, the time within which to seek judicial review of the final decision is ninety (90) days after the date the decision becomes final. The decision becomes final as of the date the appeal hearing is conducted and a decision is rendered.

2.63.090 Publicly owned resources.

The provisions of this <u>cC</u>hapter shall also apply to any plans to alter, redecorate or refurbish the exterior or interior features, or make any environmental change, to any designated cultural resources owned by the <u>cC</u>ity or other public entities. The <u>directorDirector</u> of <u>planning and buildingDevelopment Services</u> shall notify the <u>cultural heritage commissionCultural Heritage Commission at least sixty (60) days in advance</u> of such plans, allowing adequate time for the <u>cCommission to study and make recommendations on the plan. (Ord. C-6961 § 1 (part), 1992).</u>

2.63.100 Easements and development rights.

This eChapter shall empower the eCity to acquire facade easements or development rights to landmarks, or other cultural resources within a landmark district, through purchase, donation or condemnation. The easement or development rights shall be designed to run with the land in order to preserve or maintain the significant features of the landmark or cultural resource within the landmark district. (Ord. C 6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

2.63.110 Penalties.

A	$_{\pm}$ -Any person who knowingly violates a requirement of this e \subseteq hapter or knowingly fails to
	obey a lawful order issued by the Commission or the Director of Development Services.
	<u>Ccommission</u> or to comply with a condition of approval of any certificate or permit issued under this e <u>C</u> hapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to provisions of s <u>S</u> ection
	1.32.010 of this e <u>C</u> ode.

В.	Any person who constructs, alters, removes or demolishes a cultural resource cultural
	resource in violation of this eChapter shall be required to restore the building, object, site
	or structure to its appearance or setting prior to the violation. Any action to enforce this
	provision may be brought by the eCity or any other interested party. The The civil remedy
	may be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any criminal prosecution and penalty and other
	remedy provided by law.

(Ord. C 6961 § 1 (part), 1992).

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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE
LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.63
RELATING TO THE CULTURAL HERITAGE
COMMISSION

Section 1. Chapter 2.63 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Chapter 2.63

Cultural Heritage Commission

2.63.010 Purpose.

It is declared that the recognition, preservation, protection and use of cultural resources are necessary to the health, property, social and cultural enrichment and general welfare of the people. The purpose of this Chapter is:

- A. To protect, enhance and perpetuate areas, districts, streets, places, buildings, structures, works of art, natural features and other similar objects which are reminders of past eras, events, and persons important in local, state or national history, or which provide significant examples of architectural styles of the past or are landmarks in the history of architecture, or which are unique and irreplaceable assets to the City and its neighborhoods, or which provide for this and future generations significant examples of the physical surroundings in which past generations lived;
 - B. To develop and maintain appropriate settings and

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environments for these cultural resources;

- To enhance the economic and financial benefits to the City C. and its inhabitants by promoting the City's tourist trade and interest and thereby stimulating community business and industry;
- To intensify the visual and aesthetic character and diversity D. of the City and thus enhance its identity through the preservation of varied architectural styles which reflect the City's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history;
- To encourage public understanding and appreciation of the E. unique architectural and environmental heritage of the City through education programs: and
- F. To strengthen civic pride in the beauty and notable accomplishments of the City's past, and thereby to encourage community involvement in the City's future.
- 2.63.020 Definitions.
- "Alteration" means physical change to a place, building, Α. structure, work of art or similar item subject to the provisions of this Chapter.
- "Applicant" means a person, persons, association, B. partnership, corporation, or other business entity who applies for a Certificate of Appropriateness in order to undertake any environmental change on property subject to this Chapter.
- "Archaeology" or "archeology" means the scientific study of C. the remains of past people and cultures as may be evidenced by artifacts, sites, implements, inscriptions, relics, etc.
- D. "Certificate of Appropriateness" means a written authorization issued pursuant to this Chapter to accomplish any environmental change to a landmark or affected structure within a

landmark district.

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- E. "City" means the City of Long Beach.
- F. "Director" shall mean the Director of Development Services or designee.
- "Environmental change" means any alteration, demolition, G. removal, or construction of any improvement or natural feature subject to the provisions of this Chapter.
- "Improvement" means any place, building, structure, work of Н. art or similar object constituting a physical addition to real property or any part of such addition.
- "Landmark" means any building, structure, permanent work of art, object, site or improvement, manmade or natural, which has special character or special historical, cultural, architectural, community or aesthetic value as part of the heritage of the City, state, or the United States and which has been designated as a landmark pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.
- "Landmark District" means any designated area which J. contains a number of structures or natural features having a special character or special historical, cultural, architectural, community or aesthetic value.
- K.. "Member" means any member of the Cultural Heritage Commission.
- "Natural Feature" means any tree, plant life or geological L. element subject to provisions of this Chapter.
- "Ordinary Repairs and Maintenance" means any work done M., on any improvements or replacement of any part of an improvement for which a building permit is not required by law and where the purpose and effect of such work or replacement is to correct any deterioration, decay,

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or damage to such improvement in order to restore it to original condition prior to the occurrence of such deterioration, decay or damage.

- "Owner" means the person, persons, association, N. partnership, corporation or other business entity appearing as the owner of such improvement, natural feature, or site on the last equalized assessment roll of the county.
- 0. "Person" means any individual, association, partnership, firm, corporation, public agency or political division.
- Created-Members. 2.63.030
- A Cultural Heritage Commission is created by this Chapter Α. whose purpose shall be to recognize, protect and promote the retention, maintenance and use of landmarks and landmark districts in the City in accordance with this Chapter. Said Commission shall consist of seven (7) members who shall serve without compensation and who are residents of the City who have manifested a knowledge and interest in the City's heritage and landmark preservation.
- Commission members shall be appointed from among В. professionals in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, archeology, or other historic preservation related disciplines, such as urban planning, American studies, American civilization, cultural geography, or cultural anthropology, to the extent that such professionals are available in the community. Commission membership may also include lay members who have special interest in, or who have demonstrated competence, experience, or knowledge in historic preservation or other historic preservation related disciplines.
- C. The term of office and the number of terms of office of the members of the Commission shall be in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2.18, as the provisions of Chapter 2.18 are

presently worded or hereafter amended.

2.63.040 Duties.

The Cultural Heritage Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To recommend to the City Planning Commission that specific areas, places, buildings, structures, natural features, works of art or similar objects having a significant historical, cultural, architectural, archaeological, community or aesthetic value as part of the heritage of the City, be designated as a landmark, or landmark district; or
- B. To review proposed substantial alterations to a designated landmark or to a contributing building or structure within a designated historic district, and to issue or deny a Certificate of Appropriateness thereon:
- C. To encourage public interest in cultural preservation in the City;
- D. To compile, maintain and update an informational local register of landmarks and historic districts and to publicize and periodically update the City's cultural resource survey;
- E. To review and comment for advisory purposes only upon the conduct of land use, housing, redevelopment, public works and other types of planning and programs undertaken by any agency of the city, county, state or nation, within the City of Long Beach, as they relate to the cultural heritage of the City;
- F. Upon authorization of the City Council, coordinate and cooperate with local, county, state and federal governments in pursuit of the Commission's purposes;
- G. Subject to the consent of City Council, recommend acceptance by the City of gifts, grants and conservation easement

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donations consistent with the purposes for which the Commission was established:

- To make and adopt, and periodically amend, rules and Η. procedures governing the conduct of its business and provide for the administration of this Chapter consistent with Chapter 2.18 of this Code;
- To assume whatever responsibility and duties may be assigned to it by the state under certified local government provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; and
- To perform any other functions consistent with the purposes J. herein that may be directed by the City Council.
- Criteria for designation of landmarks and landmark districts. 2.63.050

A resource may be recommended for designation as a landmark or landmark district if it manifests one or more of the following criteria:

- It possesses a significant character, interest or value Α. attributable to the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the City, the southern California region, the state or the nation; or
- It is the site of a historic event with a significant place in B. history; or
- C. It is associated with the life of a person or persons significant to the community, City, region or nation; or
- It portrays the environment in an era of history characterized D. by a distinctive architectural style; or
- E. It embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or engineering specimen; or
- F. It is the work of a person or persons whose work has significantly influenced the development of the City or the southern California region; or
 - G. It contains elements of design, detail, materials, or

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craftsmanship which represent a significant innovation; or

- It is a part of or related to a distinctive area and should be Η. developed or preserved according to a specific historical, cultural or architectural motif; or
- It represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood or community due to its unique location or specific distinguishing characteristic; or
- It is, or has been, a valuable information source important to J. the prehistory or history of the City, the southern California region or the state; or
- It is one of the few remaining examples in the City, region, K. state or nation possessing distinguishing characteristics of an architectural or historical type; or
- In the case of the designation of a tree(s) based on historic significance, that the tree(s) is (are) associated with individuals, places and/or events that are deemed significant based on their importance to national, state and community history; or
- М. In the case of the designation of a tree(s) based on cultural contribution, that the tree(s) is (are) associated with a particular event or adds (add) significant aesthetic or cultural contribution to the community.

Procedures for designation of landmark or landmark district.

The Cultural Heritage Commission may recommend the designation of a landmark or landmark district either upon its own nomination or upon nomination by any interested group or individual including the owner or occupant of property proposed for such designation. Any nomination which includes a public building shall be submitted to the City Manager for his review. Comments and

recommendations resulting from that review may be submitted to the

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Cultural Heritage Commission. The Commission shall take no further action on the nomination until receipt of the City Manager's comments and recommendations; provided that, if a written report by the City Manager is not received within thirty (30) days of submittal to him, the Cultural Heritage Commission may proceed with its review of the nomination and the formulation of a recommendation relating to the designation of a landmark or landmark district pursuant to the following procedures:

- A. The Cultural Heritage Commission shall, as a part of its review process:
 - 1. Consult with affected property owners;
- 2. Prepare a preliminary report on the nomination which shall include, among other things:
- a. Notification of affected City departments including, when public buildings are a part of the nomination, the City Manager;
- b. Confirmation and verification that the nomination conforms to the requirements of Section 2.63.050 of this Chapter,
- c. Preliminary research into the character and history of the structure or area proposed for designation, and
- d. A recommendation for final action by the Commission. If the Commission approves the nominated designation, then upon direction of the Commission, preliminary research, appropriate inventory forms and other supporting data as directed shall be completed as necessary to prepare the matter for final determination by the Commission. Final action recommending approval or disapproval of the nominated landmark or landmark district shall be by a majority vote of the Commission.
 - B. If the Cultural Heritage Commission recommends approval,

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the Commission shall advise the Director of Development Services in writing of the proposed designation of a landmark or landmark district and secure from the Director of Development Services recommendations concerning the relationship of the proposed landmark or landmark district to the General Plan of the City, its effect on the surrounding neighborhood and any other planning considerations which may be relevant to the proposed designation. If a written report by the Director of Development Services is not received within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice of a proposed designation, the Cultural Heritage Commission may conclude that the Director of Development Services has no objections to the designation and proceed with its consideration. The Cultural Heritage Commission shall acknowledge the recommendations, and incorporate them into their report to be submitted to the City Planning Commission. Included in the Cultural Heritage's Commission's report to the City Planning Commission shall be the Commission's recommended guidelines and standards to be applied to the subject property.

C. The City Planning Commission shall schedule a public hearing on the proposed designation of a landmark or landmark district as soon as practicable after receiving the proposal from the Cultural Heritage Commission. Written notice shall be placed in the mail to all owners of record of real property within the boundaries of the area proposed for designation and located within the distance specified in Section 21.21.302.B.4 of this Code or any successor section thereto. In those instances where the owners petition the City for such designation, it shall be the petitioners' obligation to furnish a current list of names and legal mailing addresses to the City Development Services Department of all real property owners to be notified and pay such fee as shall be established by separate resolution. When the proposed designation is by

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City initiative, the Development Services Department shall be responsible for preparing the notification list. The public hearing shall be set for not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days subsequent to the date of written notice.

- Within thirty (30) days after the close of the public hearing, the City Planning Commission shall make its recommendation on the proposed landmark or landmark district designation. These recommendations, together with the specific findings of fact constituting the basis for the Commission's decision shall be transmitted to the City Council.
- E. The City Council shall consider the matter as soon as practicable after receiving the City Planning Commission's recommendation. If the City Council approves the landmark or landmark district designation, such approval shall be evidenced by ordinance. The City Clerk shall then notify the Director of Development Services of its action in order to ensure compliance with this Chapter.
- F. The ordinance designating a landmark or landmark district shall include a description of the particular characteristics which justify the designation and which should therefore be preserved; shall set forth the reasons relative to Section 2.63.050 for the designation; shall develop a set of general guidelines to establish standards for future proposed changes, and shall delineate the location and boundaries of the landmark site or landmark district. A certified copy of such ordinance shall be recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Los Angeles by the City Clerk immediately following its effective date.
- G. The property included in the designation ordinance shall upon designation be subject to the controls and standards set forth in this Chapter.

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- The record owner of real property designated as a landmark H. or the record owner of a historically significant contributing property within a landmark district, or the City, on its own initiative, may petition to withdraw from designated status provided the same procedure described above to cause such designation is followed. Any owner of designated property that petitions for withdrawal from designated status shall furnish the materials required in Subsection C of this Section and shall pay such fee as established by the City Council by resolution; provided, that in no case may real property be withdrawn from designated status unless it has lost those contributing qualities that led to its initial designation and the City Council, upon recommendation of the Cultural Heritage Commission and the Planning Commission, by resolution so finds.
- ١. Once the Cultural Heritage Commission has approved a nomination for designation proceedings, no permits for the alteration, remodel, enlarging, demolition or removal of a structure or improvement nominated for landmark status as provided in this section shall be issued during the pendency of a review related thereto; provided, that the prohibition shall terminate on the one hundred eighty first day following approval of the nomination for designation proceedings, and provided that, notwithstanding the provisions of this Subsection I, requests for building permits which the Director of Development Services determines will have no adverse effect on the architectural character of the nominated property, and which meet the guidelines for approval of Certificates of Appropriateness set forth in Section 2.63.070, may be approved during the pendency of review for nomination.
- If the Cultural Heritage Commission fails to transmit a J. recommendation for landmark designation of any kind to the Planning Commission within sixty (60) days of its action to recommend such

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designation, any aggrieved or interested party may petition the Cultural Heritage Commission to do so within twenty (20) days of the expiration of said sixty (60) day period. If the recommendation is not transmitted within thirty (30) days after such petition, the nomination for designation shall be deemed null and void and of no further force and effect.

- Recordation of landmarks and historic districts. All buildings K. or structures or areas designated as landmarks or landmark districts by the City Council pursuant to this Chapter shall be so recorded by the City in the office of the Los Angeles County Recorder. The document to be recorded shall contain a legal description of the property or properties, the date and substance of the designation, a statement explaining that the demolition, alteration, or relocation of the structure is restricted, and a reference to this section authorizing the recordation.
- Procedures for administering the Certificate of 2.63.070 Appropriateness.
- No person owning, renting or occupying property which has A. been designated a landmark or which is situated in a designated landmark district, shall make any environmental change to such property unless a Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued authorizing such environmental change. Except as otherwise set forth in this Chapter, all environmental changes made to designated landmarks, or historically significant properties within landmark districts within the City, require a Certificate of Appropriateness whether or not the alteration, demolition, removal or construction of such property requires a City permit.
- B. The Cultural Heritage Commission shall be responsible for considering and issuing Certificates of Appropriateness for those sites or improvements which have been designated as landmarks pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter; and also for substantial alterations made to

contributing structures/buildings or sites within a designated Historic District. For the purpose of this Section, the term "substantial alteration" shall mean an alteration which jeopardizes a structure's individual eligibility as a contributing structure in the National Register of Historic Places, or its status as a contributing structure within a designated City Historic District or in the California Register of Historical Resources, such as, but not limited to:

- 1. The addition, removal, alteration or substitution of defining architectural features, such that the building/structure is incapable of yielding important historical information about its period, including changes to the following: exterior siding (unless siding is replaced with siding of similar size and appearance), roof pitch, fenestration, and the compatibility of additions in terms of general scale, massing and materials;
- 2. Isolation of a property or alteration of its setting such that the historic character and integrity are no longer reflected in the site.

 Examples may include the following: introduction of parking lots, removal of subsidiary buildings or relocation of a structure from its original site;
- 3. Use of surface cleaning or maintenance methods which endanger the building/structure, or object's historic building materials, such as sandblasting and improper masonry repointing.

The Director of Development Services shall be responsible for considering and issuing Certificates of Appropriateness for buildings/structures within designated Landmark Districts in all other instances, including, but not limited to: replacement of windows and doors (including screen doors) with like materials (e.g., wood window changed with wood or wood clad window of similar aesthetics); replacement/repair of siding with siding similar in size and appearance; replacement/repair of

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a porch or primary entry to the building/structure; replacement/repair of garage doors that are visible from the public right of way; or installation/repair of rain gutters.

- An applicant for a Certificate of Appropriateness shall file an C. application with the Cultural Heritage Commission or Director of Development Services, as appropriate. The application shall contain all facts and information necessary to properly consider the matter. The applicant shall also pay such fee as is established by resolution of the City Council.
- D. The Cultural Heritage Commission or, as appropriate, the Director of Development Services, shall only issue a Certificate of Appropriateness if it is determined that the proposed environmental change:
- 1. Will not adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural or aesthetic feature of the concerned property or of the landmark district in which it is located and that issuance of the Certificate is consistent with the spirit and intent of this Chapter;
- 2. Will remedy any condition determined to be imminently dangerous or unsafe by the Fire Department or the Development Services Department;
- 3. The proposed change is consistent with or compatible with the architectural period of the building;
- 4. The proposed change is compatible in architectural style with existing adjacent contributing structures in a historic landmark district;
- 5. The scale, massing, proportions, materials, colors, textures, fenestration, decorative features and details proposed are consistent with the period and/or compatible with adjacent structures;
 - 6. The proposed change is consistent with the Secretary of

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the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

- If the Commission, or if authorized, the Director of E. Development Services, determines that the proposed environmental change will adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural or aesthetic feature of the concerned property or of the landmark district in which it is located, the Certificate of Appropriateness shall be denied. If the Commission or the Director of Development Services finds that the adverse effects can be overcome by minor modifications to the application, a Certificate of Appropriateness with conditions may be issued.
- F. Once a Certificate of Appropriateness is issued, the applicant may proceed with the proposed environmental change provided all other requirements of the City are met.
- G. The California State Historical Building Code provides alternative building regulations for the rehabilitation, preservation, restoration or relocation of qualified historic buildings or structures. This shall include structures on national, state or local historical registers or official inventories, such as the National Register of Historic Places, state historical landmarks, state points of historical interest, and city or county registers or inventories of historical or architecturally significant sites, places, historic districts, or landmarks. The California State Historical Building Code, Part 8 of the Uniform Building Code, shall be used for any designated City landmark or contributing historic structure in a designated historic district through the City's building permit procedure.
- Η. The provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the ordinary maintenance and repair of any exterior feature of a landmark, or building/structure of historic or contributing historical

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significance within a landmark district; or to prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration or demolition of any feature which is necessary to remedy an immediately unsafe or dangerous condition as determined by the Fire Department and/or Development Services Department, excluding orders issued pursuant to Chapter 18.68 of this Code. In such cases, the work must be approved by the Director of Development Services, and no Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required. Examples of this work shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. Construction, demolition or alteration of side and rear yard fences that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 2. Construction, demolition or alteration of front yard fences that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 3. Repairing or repaving of flat concrete work in the side and rear yard that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 4. Repaying of existing front yard paying, concrete work, and walkways that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 5. Roofing work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 6. Foundation work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
- 7. Chimney work that does not alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure;
 - 8. Landscaping that does not alter the historical appearance

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- 9. Installation of water heaters, electrical box, air conditioning units, or other utility items provided they are not visible from the public right-of-way.
- 10. Repainting, unless the repainting would alter the historical appearance or historical integrity of the structure.

The Director of Development Services shall determine whether or not the proposed work, alteration, construction or improvement constitutes ordinary maintenance and repair and is therefore exempt from the Certificate of Appropriateness requirement established by this Chapter.

- Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Chapter, a İ. Certificate of Appropriateness shall become void unless construction relating to the environmental change is commenced within twelve (12) months of the date of issuance. Certificates of Appropriateness may be renewed for a twelve (12) month period by applying to the Commission staff or to the Director of Development Services. If the environmental change is not completed within twelve (12) months after the expiration of the last building permit, a new Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required.
- Hearings and Determinations. 2.63.075

All hearings conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission and determinations by the Director of Development Services shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and in the following manner:

Α. For hearings to be conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission, notice shall be given not less than fourteen (14) days nor more than forty-five (45) days prior to the hearing. Notice of hearing shall be mailed or personally delivered to the applicant and to the owner(s) of

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the subject property or their authorized agent. Notice shall also be mailed or delivered to all owners of real property as shown on the latest equalized assessment roll located within the distance specified in Section 21.21.302.B.4 of this Code or any successor section thereto. Notice of hearing shall also be posted at the landmark site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing in a form and manner deemed appropriate by the Director of Development Services.

B. The Director of Development Services shall consider all applications for Certificates of Appropriateness within his/her jurisdiction as set forth in Section 2.63.070. Determinations shall be made within forty five (45) days after the applicant has submitted an application and the Director determines it to be complete. The Director has authority to approve, conditionally approve or deny an application. Determinations made pursuant to this Subsection shall not require a formal hearing or notice. In making his/her determination the Director shall make written findings in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 2.63.070.D and E. Rather than act on an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness within his/her jurisdiction, the Director of Development Services may, in his/her sole discretion, refer the application to the Cultural Heritage Commission for its determination. In such case the procedures set forth in Section 2.63.075.A shall apply.

C. Hearings conducted by the Cultural Heritage Commission need not be conducted according to the technical rules of evidence. Any relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is the sort of evidence on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or statutory rule which might make improper the admission of such evidence over objection in civil actions.

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D. After considering all of the testimony and evidence submitted, the Cultural Heritage Commission shall render its decision within fifteen (15) calendar days of the hearing. The decision shall be in writing and shall include findings of fact, a summary of the relevant evidence, a statement of issues and a decision. A copy of the decision shall be provided to the applicant and to any other person who has requested it. All hearings shall be conducted and decisions rendered no later than ninety (90) days from the date that an application has been deemed complete by the Director of Development Services.

2.63.080 Appeals.

Any person aggrieved by the denial or approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness may appeal such denial or approval in the following manner:

The appellant may file a notice of appeal, in writing, with the Α. Department of Development Services within ten (10) calendar days after issuance of the written decision to deny or approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. The appeal shall, in the case of a decision of the Cultural Heritage Commission, be heard by the Planning Commission, or in the case of a determination by the Director of Development Services, by the Cultural Heritage Commission. The appeal hearing shall be conducted no later than forty five (45) days after the notice of appeal has been filed and deemed complete. Notice of the appeal hearing shall be provided to the appellant, the applicant, and to any person who has requested in writing that such notice be provided. Notice of the appeal hearing shall also be posted at the subject site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing in a form and manner deemed appropriate by the Director of Development Services.

B. The appeal body may affirm, reverse or modify the action of

the Cultural Heritage Commission or the Director of Development Services and may affix whatever conditions of approval as it deems reasonably necessary.

C. The decision of the Cultural Heritage Commission or the Planning Commission on appeal shall be final. Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6, the time within which to seek judicial review of the final decision is ninety (90) days after the date the decision becomes final. The decision becomes final as of the date the appeal hearing is conducted and a decision is rendered.

2.63.090 Publicly owned resources.

The provisions of this Chapter shall also apply to any plans to alter, redecorate or refurbish the exterior or interior features, or make any environmental change, to any designated cultural resources owned by the City or other public entities. The Director of Development Services shall notify the Cultural Heritage Commission at least sixty (60) days in advance of such plans, allowing adequate time for the Commission to study and make recommendations on the plan.

2.63.100 Easements and development rights.

This Chapter shall empower the City to acquire facade easements or development rights to landmarks, or other cultural resources within a landmark district, through purchase, donation or condemnation. The easement or development rights shall be designed to run with the land in order to preserve or maintain the significant features of the landmark or cultural resource within the landmark district.

2.63.110 Penalties.

A. Any person who knowingly violates a requirement of this

Chapter or knowingly fails to obey a lawful order issued by the

Commission or the Director of Development Services, or to comply with a

condition of approval of any certificate or permit issued under this Chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to provisions of Section 1.32.010 of this Code.

B. Any person who constructs, alters, removes or demolishes a cultural resource in violation of this Chapter shall be required to restore the building, object, site, or structure to its appearance or setting prior to the violation. Any action to enforce this provision may be brought by the City or any other interested party. The civil remedy may be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any criminal prosecution and penalty and other remedy provided by law.

Section 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the Mayor.

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR
OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO SUBMIT
AMENDMENTS TO THE CULTURAL HERITAGE
COMMISSION ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 2.63) TO THE
STATE OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOR ITS
REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION

WHEREAS, Congress declared in the National Historic Preservation Act that it shall be the policy of the federal government, in partnership with the state and local governments, "to foster conditions under which our modern society and our prehistoric and historic resources can exist in productive harmony;" and,

WHEREAS, the National Park Service and State of California through the Office of Historic Preservation has established the Certified Local Government program to carry out this policy; and,

WHEREAS, the program recognizes local governments which have legislated a preservation program, including a qualified cultural resources commission which identifies and designates significant cultural resources to be protected for future generations and which advises the City Council on actions which affect these resources; and,

WHEREAS, on _______, 2009, the City Council has approved certain amendments to Chapter 2.63 of the Long Beach Municipal Code related to the Cultural Heritage Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. The Director of Development Services is hereby authorized to

' '	submit said amer	noments to Chapter 2.6	3 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to the State
2	Office of Historic	Preservation for its rev	iew and consideration.
3	Sec	ction 2. The City Counc	cil further resolves that this Resolution shall be
4	recorded in the m	ninutes of the State Hist	torical Resources Commission and a suitable
5	copy presented to	o the County of Los An	geles.
6	Sec	ction 3. This resolution	shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by
7	the City Council,	and the City Clerk shall	certify the vote adopting this resolution.
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9	Council of the Cit	y of Long Beach at its r	meeting of, 20 by the
10	following vote:		
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City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve Office of Tonia Reyes Uranga Councilmember, 7th District Memorandum

NB-23

Date:

February 17, 2009

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga, Seventh District

From:

Councilmember Gary DeLong, Third District

Councilwoman Gerrie Schipske, Fifth District Aduptice

Subject:

Action Steps to Address Flooding of West Long Beach Neighborhood

The West Long Beach neighborhood in the area of Arlington Avenue has experienced repeated instances of severe flooding, most recently on February 7, 2009 and previously on February 19, 2005. In response to the flooding in 2005, the City initiated a drainage study of the area to prevent further incidents. While this effort is an ongoing long-term strategy, we believe immediate steps should be taken to address community concerns given the frequency of incidents.

We request the City Council's support to direct the City Manager to take the following actions:

- Assemble an inter-departmental team with a lead staffer from the
 Office of the City Manager to meet with the affected community and to
 provide an action plan to address the concerns within two weeks.
- Present a proposal to the City Council for waiving applicable fees, such as building permits, for homeowners making repairs to their homes.
- Determine sources of revenue and funds for homeowner assistance including the creation of an assistance fund that may be funded by public-private sources such as Edison, BP, Union Pacific and other interested private partners.
- Identify the funding necessary to implement construction of the necessary upgrades to the storm drain facility as identified by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Storm Drain Division, estimated at \$2 million.
- Initiate negotiations with interested parties to secure required rights of way within the Edison property adjacent to the flood area.

Suggested Action:

Direct the City Manager to initiate action steps to address the continued flooding of the West Long Beach Arlington area neighborhood and to report back to the City Council within 30 days.

City of Long Beach Memorandum Working Together to Serve

REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date:

February 10, 2009

To:

Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From:

Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga

Subject:

Request to Add Agenda Item to City Council Agenda of February 17,

2009.

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

Direct the City Manager to initiate action steps to address the continued flooding of the West Long Beach Arlington area neighborhood and to report back to the City Council within 30 days.

Council	Authorizing	
District	Councilmember	Signed by
3	Gary DeLong	See attached memorandum
5	Gerrie Schipske	See attached memorandum
7	Tonia Reyes Uranga	See attached memorandum

Attachment: City Council Agenda Item Memorandum

CC: Office of the Mayor

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor

ORDINANCE NO.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SUBSECTION 8.68.020.R., SECTION 8.68.060, AND SUBSECTION 8.68.110.A.; AND BY ADDING SUBSECTION 8.68.020.S., AND SECTION 8.68.210, ALL RELATING TO SMOKING IN **PUBLIC PLACES**

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Subsection 8.68.020.R. of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

R. "Smoking lounge" means a business establishment that is devoted to and designated specifically for the sole purpose of smoking tobacco products, including but not limited to establishments known variously as cigar lounges, hookah lounges, or tobacco clubs. For purposes of this Chapter, "smoking lounge" means private smokers' lounge as defined in Section 6404.5 of the California Labor Code.

Section 2. Section 8.68.060 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

8.68.060 Smoking prohibited – Enclosed public places.

Smoking is prohibited and is unlawful in every enclosed "public place" as defined in subsection 8.68.020.O. Every owner, manager or operator of such facility shall post signs conspicuously in the premises stating that smoking is prohibited within the "public place" as defined in

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section 8.68.020 and in the case of motion picture theaters, such information shall be shown upon the screen for at least five (5) seconds before showing feature motion pictures.

- B. This Section is not intended to prohibit smoking in any "smoking lounge" as defined in Subsection 8.68.020.R. and under the following conditions:
- 1. No food or beverages, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages, shall be sold or consumed on the business premises.
- 2. No persons under eighteen (18) years of age shall be permitted within the business.
- 3. The business establishment shall have separate ventilation such that air from the smoking lounge is exhausted directly outside and not recirculated within the building or mixed with the general dilution ventilation for the building. Windows which open to the outside shall not be deemed to comply with this provision.
- Subsection 8.68.110.A. of the Long Beach Municipal Code is Section 3. amended to read as follows:
 - Smoking in prohibited in all workplaces in the City of Long Beach as defined in Subsection 8.68.020.S.
- Subsection 8.68.020.S. is added to the Long Beach Municipal Section 4. Code to read as follows:
 - "Workplace" means any enclosed area of a structure or portion S. thereof occupied by any entity and frequented by employees during the normal course of their employment where clerical, professional, manufacturing, business services or other normal and customary activities of the entity are performed or where other work is done at that location.

Workplace also includes, but is not limited to, spaces in office buildings, medical office waiting rooms, libraries, museums, gaming clubs, bars, taverns, employee lounges, employee breakrooms, conference rooms, and employee cafeterias. Workplace does not include any of the following: a private home, except where such home is used as a "childcare facility" as defined in subsection 8.68.020.E., and any "smoking lounge" as defined in Subsection 8.68.020.R. that satisfies the conditions specified in Subsection 8.68.060.B.

Section 5. Section 8.68.210 is added to the Long Beach Municipal Code to read as follows:

8.68.210 Severability.

All provisions of this Chapter are severable. If any part or provision of this Chapter, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid for any reason, the remainder of this Chapter, including the application of such part or provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the Mayor.

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- The business establishment shall have separate ventilation such that air from the smoking lounge is exhausted directly outside and not recirculated within the building or mixed with the general dilution ventilation for the building. Windows which open to the outside shall not be deemed to comply with this provision.
- Regulation of smoking in the workplace. 8.68.110
- Smoking in prohibited in all workplaces in the City of Long Beach as Α. defined in Subsection 8.68.020.RS.

8.68.210 Severability.

All provisions of this Chapter are severable. If any part or provision of this Chapter, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid for any reason, the remainder of this Chapter, including the application of such part or provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.





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February 17, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into an International Swap and Derivatives Association (ISDA) Master Agreement that provides natural gas price protection with terms that meet or exceed the following conditions: 1) a term of no more than three years; 2) pricing terms indexed at the Southern California border; and 3) a market price ceiling of not greater than \$10.50 per MMBtu and/or a fixed price of no greater than \$8.20 per MMBtu. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Natural gas is sold and purchased in an extremely volatile commodity market. Because Long Beach Gas and Oil (LBGO) purchases its natural gas supply in this unstable market, its customers may be exposed to large fluctuations in the commodity price component of their monthly gas bill. Therefore, one of LBGO's primary gas supply objectives is to ensure that LBGO's 500,000 customers are adequately protected from large price swings.

For a perspective of this potential exposure, Long Beach residents and businesses experienced a nearly \$70 million increase in their natural gas bills during a six-month period during the California energy crisis of 2000/01. Since that time, LBGO has successfully put price hedge structures in place that have protected its customers from exposure to price increases of that nature. The current price hedge agreement, with Shell Energy North America (Shell Energy), terminates March 31, 2009.

To replace the existing Shell Energy agreement, LBGO has solicited interest from the major energy-trading providers. Respondents were British Petroleum (BP), Goldman Sachs, J.P. Morgan, Merrill Lynch, Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), RBS/Sempra, and Shell Energy. By February 6, 2009, LBGO had met with each of the respondents for in-depth discussions on hedging strategies and potential pricing structures. Each of the companies stressed that the dramatic downswing in oil and natural gas prices from last summer's peak makes the current market a strategic time to lock in very favorable pricing structures.

Within specified parameters, City Council authorization is sought in advance of the finalization of the actual terms to allow the price to be immediately locked in based upon the current market pricing at the time of the conclusion of the negotiations. The alternative would be to require a provider to offer a specific firm price hedge that would be valid for an extended length of time while City Council approval was sought, resulting in a much less attractive offer as a premium would be included to protect against interim price fluctuations. Therefore, City Council authorization is requested for the City Manager to lock in the pricing terms provided that the terms meet or exceed the City Council-approved parameters. Once the negotiations are concluded and the pricing provisions finalized, LBGO would return to the City Council to provide the name of the successful provider and the specific finalized pricing terms.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on February 11, 2009 and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 10, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 17, 2009, in order to establish financial price protections during the current low-priced and relatively stable natural gas market. By taking advantage of the current market conditions, LBGO will be able to implement a financial program that would be the most beneficial to its customers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Because the cost of natural gas is passed through to customers, there will be no net fiscal impact to the City. However, there will be an offsetting revenue and expense effect in the Gas Fund (EF 301) in the LBGO Department (EN). Implementing price protections through financial instruments should help LBGO's ability to maintain rates that are comparable with those of other like utilities pursuant to Section 1502 of the Long Beach City Charter.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

CHRISTOPHER/J. GARNER

DIRECTOR OF LONG(BEACH GAS & OIL

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APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER



City of Long Beach Memorandum Working Together to Serve

REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date:

2/04/09

To:

Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From:

atrick H. West, City Manager

Subject:

Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of February 17, 2009

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
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Attachment: Staff Report dated February 17, 2009

CC: Office of the Mayor